



St. Mary's Church

65 Amelia Street, Barrie, Ontario L4M 1M7

Telephone: 705-728-2985 Fax: 705-728-2989

Email: stmarysba@archtoronto.org Website: www.stmarysba.archtoronto.org

Parish Office Hours Monday to Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

MASSES:

Sat.: 5:00 p.m.

Sun.: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 4:00 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES: 12:10 p.m. (except Wed.)

Wednesday & 1st Friday.....7:00 p.m.

Saturday & Holidays.....9:00 a.m.

The Church opens at 8:00 a.m. and closes at 6:00 p.m.

except Wednesdays when we close at 8:00 p.m.

RECONCILIATION:

Wed. 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. or Sat. 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

BAPTISM INFORMATION: Contact a priest or Catherine Ecker, Parish Catechist after Mass on Sunday.

R.C.I.A. - For adults wishing to become Catholic, and for the baptism of older children (aged 7-14). Contact Catherine Ecker.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: for school aged-children attending public/private alternate schools. Contact parish office.

MINISTRIES TO THE HOSPITALIZED & SHUT-INS:

If you or a family member is admitted to the R.V.H. or are unable to attend Mass, please contact the parish office so that we may provide pastoral care.

MARRIAGE: Contact the parish priest one year prior to the anticipated date of marriage. Couples are reminded not to book a banquet hall before meeting with the Pastor.

PARISH STAFF:

Rev. Larry Léger, Pastor - ext. 104

Rev. Neil Pereira, Associate Pastor ext. 107

Rev. Scott Young – In Residence

Deacon Del Allan – ext. 125

Deacon Robert Suthers, Retired

Catherine Ecker, Coordinator of Ministry with Maturing Adults and Parish Catechist –ext.115

Shannon Barks, Music/Youth Minister – ext. 116 or 705-229-7426

Susan Scarff, Administrative Assistant – ext. 101

David Murdoch, Pastoral Assistant – ext. 113

Pat Borho, Finance – ext. 102

Dennis Cormier, Building Manager

PARISH SCHOOLS:

St. Mary's School - 705-726-1843

St. Monica's School - 705-726-8221

Monsignor Clair School - 705-737-2812

St. Marguerite d'Youville School - 705-726-5849

The Good Shepherd School - 705-728-2302

Sister Catherine Donnelly - 705-726-1221

St. Joseph's High School - 705-728-3120

Board Office - 705-722-3555

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday through Friday

1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. All welcome

Adoration Chapel: Mary Bond - 705-726-6641

Altar Servers: David Murdoch - 705-728-2985

Bereavement Committee: Parish Office

Catholic Family Services: 705-726-2503

Catholic Women's League: Susan Murley - 705-252-1918

Young Adult Ministry: Shannon Barks - 705-229-7426

Development & Peace: Becky Johnson - 705-327-9609

Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Communion: 705-728-2985

Interfaith Refugee Committee: Sheila Lewis-Watts
705-737-1880

Knights of Columbus: Al MacLeod - 705-728-4076

Lectors: Parish Office

Library: Arlene LeBlanc - 705-737-6563

Marriage Encounter: John & Daphne Jeffery-705-721-1694

Marriage Preparation: Parish Office

Maturing Adults: Catherine Ecker - ext. 115

Ministry Affirmation: (Screening):Parish Office - 705-728-2985

New Beginnings: Parish Office - 705-728-2985

Religious Articles Store: Pat Dunn - 705-718-1853

Retrouaille: (for troubled marriages) - 437-234-5610

Rosary Apostolate - Anné Gariepy - 705-305-0911

Sacramental Preparation: Catherine Ecker - ext. 115

Social Life: Parish Office

St. Mary's Cemetery: Larry Meyer 705-726-3931

St. Vincent de Paul: 705-722-0753

PARISH REGISTRATION

Please register with the parish before seeking any sacraments or any other services.

Registration forms are available in the church foyer and in our parish office.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, February 24 12:10 p.m.
 Tuesday, February 25 12:10 p.m.
 Wednesday, February 26 7:00 p.m.
 Thursday, February 27 12:10 p.m.
 Friday, February 28 12:10 p.m.
 Saturday, March 1 9:00 a.m.

† Lorraine Doyle
 † Sherry-Jane Jeffrey
 † Ike Ritchie and Randy Hill
 † Ruth Johnson
 † Theresa Light
 † Guy Hachey
 † Sheila Argue



Praying for the Sick: If you or a family member is sick please let us know and we shall add their name to our prayer list which is posted in the gathering space of the church.

Rest in Peace

We remember in prayer those who have died recently including:
Diana Viau.



IN THE HOSPITAL Visiting the Hospital: if you or a family member are admitted to RVH please let them know you are Catholic and call the parish office to inform us. If you wish to receive Holy Communion please let the parish office know and one of our pastoral visitors will come to see you.

Lent Begins on Wednesday, March 5th, 2025



Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and Fridays in Lent - Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are universal days of fast and abstinence. The Church asks all Catholics to abstain from eating meat on Ash

Wednesday, Good Friday and the Fridays during Lent. IF meat is not a staple in your diet, you may choose to abstain from a different food or drink (i.e. alcohol, coffee). You may also choose to do an act of charity in place of abstaining from meat. The church asks those between the ages of 14 and 59 to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. To fast is to eat one main meal and not to eat between meals. Those with medical conditions are exempt from the call to fast. Here in the parish on Ash Wednesday there will be a 12:10 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Throughout the season, there will be an additional Mass each Wednesday at 12:10 p.m.

Pancake Supper - Youth Ministry Fundraiser

You're invited to the Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on **Tuesday, March 4th**. Our Parish Youth will be serving pancakes, sausages and more! Come out to the parish hall from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10.00 per person or \$30.00 per family and are available after all Masses this weekend and next or from the parish office. We will also have prizes and a Silent Auction!



2024 Tax Receipts

Tax receipts for parish donations have been mailed. You should receive yours in the mail over the next week or two. If not, please contact the parish office. **Thank you for your generous and continued support!**

The Parish is Seeking.....

Is there an architect or interior design person in our parish community? If so, please contact the parish office at 707.728.2985.

Confirmation Preparation for Adults



If you are an adult, baptized in the Catholic Church and would like to be Confirmed please contact Catherine Ecker (cecker@archtoronto.org or 705

728 2985 ext. 115) for details regarding registering for the preparation. Confirmation will be celebrated close to the feast of Pentecost.

Preparation for Confirmation

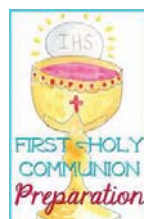
The next meeting is for the Candidates and Sponsors. **IF**, the sponsor cannot attend the parent is to attend. The candidates are grouped alphabetically. Please make every effort to attend the assigned meeting. If there is a serious reason, such as illness, you may attend the other meeting. You **do not** need to notify us if you are attending a different meeting. **The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. and conclude by 8:45 p.m.**



**Tuesday February 25th
 Monday March 3rd**

**Surnames A to L
 Surnames M to Z**

Important Reminder regarding Preparation for first Holy Communion



All families who are formally registered in the preparation for first Holy Communion are reminded of the next **Parent Catechetical Meeting on Monday February 24, 2025.**

This is the second and final opportunity to attend this essential meeting. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m.

and will conclude by 8:45 p.m. At this meeting you will receive a second book, **We Share in the Eucharist** which will be completed at home. **Attendance is necessary.**

Do You Have Furniture to Donate?



Our Interfaith Refugee Committee has worked with The Redwood Furniture Bank to supply future newcomer families with furnishings for their homes.

This will make our jobs easier as we no longer have to store and move heavy furniture items. We are encouraging parishioners to support the Furniture Bank if you have items to donate. They will pick up items (*there is a pick-up fee*) and will issue a charitable tax receipt for the value of the goods. Please support this worthy cause!

More information can be found on their website: <https://redwoodparkcommunities.com/furniture-bank/>

**All Adults 55+
Ministry with Maturing Adults**

All are welcome to attend the various session offered for those in the second half of life.



VON SMART (*Seniors Maintaining Active Roles Together*) **Exercise Program** is held on Tuesday mornings. For details regarding registration please call: VON at 705 737 5044 ext. 221.

Christian Meditation an ancient form of contemplative prayer is deeply rooted in the Christian tradition. Our next meeting will be at 10:30 a.m. on **Tuesday, February 25th, 2025 on Zoom**. The Zoom link is on our parish website or contact Catherine Ecker if you are interested in learning more about this form of prayer or have questions. All are welcome! Catherine Ecker. cecker@archtoronto.org or 705 728 2985 ext. 115



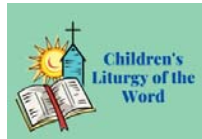
**An Afternoon of Music:
Wednesday, March 12th
2:00 p.m.– 3:30 p.m.**

The Flailing Shilaleighs will be performing mostly traditional Irish and East Coast Canadian music. Simple refreshments will be served. Free will offering. All are welcome.



If you are interested in any of the following ministries of programs, please contact David at dmurdoch@archtoronto.org.

- **Celebrating the Liturgy of the Word with Children** on Sunday, March 9th during the 12 noon Mass. All children between the ages of 4 and 8 are invited to participate.



- **Classic Movies** – Twice/month in the parish hall. No cost (free will offering). Snacks and drinks included! All are welcome. No sign up – **Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m.** Our next film is *'Now Voyager'* with Bette Davis this **Tuesday, February 25th**. Bette Davis plays a lonely woman who embarks on a journey of self-discovery and romance. Mark your calendars for our next movie on March 11th - a family film for March break – Walt Disney's *"Pinocchio."*



- **Just Sing!** - You're invited to join us for song and fellowship as we come together to JUST SING our way through folk, pop, gospel and traditional music. No sign up – just come and just sing! Cookies and tea included. Join us on **Tuesday, March 18th at 2:00 p.m.** in St. Joseph's Room.



Youth Ministry



M.E.R.C.Y. (Ministry to Educate Roman Catholic Youth) is for youth grades J.K. to Gr. 4 and gathers once a month on Friday nights from 6:00-7:30 p.m. where we explore our faith in a dynamic way through activities, games, crafts and music. Our next gathering is **Friday, March 7th**.



EDGE is a youth ministry program for youth grades 5-8 to come together once a month on a Friday from 6:00-7:30 p.m. EDGE is a safe, fun place for youth to find solid Catholic community, to get answers to their questions about faith and most importantly, to experience Jesus in a profound and personal way. Our next gathering is **Friday, February 21st**.



LIFETEEN – Youth program for high school teens to explore their faith through talks, prayer and friendship meeting monthly on Sunday nights.

Our next gathering is **Sunday, February 23rd** after the 4:00 p.m. Mass. Dinner provided. For more information, please contact Shannon Barks at stmarysyouthministry-barrie@gmail.com or 705.229.7426.

Young Adults

Calling all young adults (ages 19 - 39) in the Northern region! Join us for the next Spiritus North ministry night at St. John Vianney Parish on **Thursday, February 20th, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.** Through their testimony, John and Emilie share about the struggle to live a holy life when relationships are challenging, when wounds get in the way of moving forward, and how to begin experiencing freedom and healing by trusting in God's mercy.

Lift Jesus Higher Rally



Tickets are still available for the Lift Jesus Higher Rally on **Saturday, March 29th, 2025**. The bus leaves from St. Mary's at 7:15 a.m.

returning around 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$50 including bus and cost of admission. There are adult tickets and youth tickets available. Please contact Shannon at stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com or (705) 728-2985 ext. 116 for tickets.

Edge Camp 2025

Save the date - EDGE CAMP 2025 is **August 20-24th** at Camp White Pine with an EDGE stream for youth going into grades 5-9, and a teen stream for high school youth. **Registration opens March 1st**.



Bible Camp



Save the date - St. Mary's Bible Camp is from Monday, **July 7th, 2025 - Friday, July 11th, 2025 from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. daily**. The cost is \$100.00 per youth. **Registration opens March 1st**.

YOUR TUPPERWARE REP
 Call Denise 705-715-1680
 www.my.tupperware.ca/drlee727

24 HOUR SERVICE
plumbtech
 PLUMBING INC
 (705) 722-7209
 mail@plumbtechplumbing.com

WALLWIN
 ELECTRIC SERVICES LTD.
 Electrical Work?
 Call Us - We Do It All!
 50 Innisfil St. 705-726-1859

STECKLEY-GOODERHAM
 FUNERAL HOME
Tradition. Community. Family
 30 Worsley Street 705-721-9921
 Traditional Burial & Cremation Services
 Advance Planning

RDR MARINE SYSTEMS
 Sales • Service • Maintenance • Repairs
 Boat Lifts, Docks, Marine Railways
 705-487-5995
 www.rdrmarine.com

LA ISLA
 Manila
 FILIPINO CUISINE
 laislamanila.com | @laislamanilabarrie

First ever Filipino restaurant in Barrie!
 29 Maple Ave | 705-503-9710

Bill Le Boeuf
 JEWELLERS
 52 Dunlop St. W. • BillLeBoeufJewellers.com • 705-728-3343

Chris' NOFRILLS
 319 Blake Street, Barrie

Columbus Hall Event Centre
 93 Berczy St, Barrie
 705-728-1641 ext 1
 rentals@columbushallbarrie.ca
 columbushallbarrie.ca
 Weddings, Parties, Seminars,
 Business Meetings, Banquets,
 Family Gatherings

PAUL MCBRIDE'S AUTO SALES
 705-970-6710
SPRING WATER GARAGE
 705-792-6718

Pregnancy Help
See beyond your fears to the possibilities
 We offer free, confidential support. You are not alone!
 www.bit.ly/pregnancy-help

Marshall W. Driver
 Cremation & Burial Service
 by Arbor Memorial
 705-734-7616
 www.marshalldrivercremation.ca
 marshalldriver@arbormemorial.com
 19 Ross Street

European Fine Food & Deli
 Deli meats from the best butchers in Ontario
 342 Bayfield St, 1-B 705-728-4858

Best Nails
 Complete Professional Nail Care
 Artificial Nails, Manicures, Pedicures, Waxing
 Open 7 Days a Week
 705-725-0888
 Bayfield Mall

Dr. Mingming Yan Dental Care
 Family & Cosmetic Dentistry
 Accepting Canadian Dental Care Plan
 308-1 Quarry Ridge Rd
 Free Parking for patients
 705-726-2352
 drydentalcare.com
 @drydentalcare
 Dr.Mingming Yan Dental Care

WOOD FIRED PIZZA PIE JOINT
 11 VICTORIA STREET
 705-728-7952

www.bollandassociates.com
Thomas Bolland, CPA/CA
Bolland Associates 683 Bayview St.
 ACCOUNTING AND TAX SERVICES 705-727-1934

Barrie's Trusted Funeral Provider

Adams
 Funeral Home & Cremation Services
 by Arbor Memorial
 445 St. Vincent St, Barrie
 705-728-4344

Dan Carell, RMT
 Registered Massage Therapist
 Weekends by Appointment
 info@dancarellrmt.ca
 Together at 287 Tiffin St, Unit 10 705-716-3024

Iron Tree Dojo
 Sensei Dan, 4th Degree
 karate - Kung Fu - Jujutsu
 info@ironreedojo.ca


Tompkins & Heels Monuments Ltd.
 For Quality & Craftsmanship Since 1932
 161 Essa Road, Barrie
 705-728-7749
 www.tompkinsandheels.com

G & J Contracting
 Painting • Drywall • Lighting • Framing,
 Trim work • Tile • All Home Repairs
Gerard 705-627-4379

FERNDALE
 banquet hall & catering
 YOUR EVENT OUR VENUE!
 info@ferndalebanchquethall.com

Specialize in Celebration of Life Packages & Catering
 24 Ferndale Industrial Dr
 705-721-4255
 www.ferndalebanchquethall.com

Bayfield Dental
 Dr. Annie Bolland, D.D.S.
 Dr. Vafa Lightfoot, D.D.S.
 331 Bayfield St. (above Baskin Robbins)
 705-728-2601

ABERCROMBIE ELECTRIC
 EST. 1946
 705-728-5509

FULL MOON PLUMBING
 "SERVICE WITH A SMILE"
 705-720-2010

DOOLEY LUCENTI
 BARRISTERS & SOLICITORS
 Litigation • Real Estate
 Wills & Estates
 Corporate Law • Family Law
 299 Lakeshore Dr, Suite 300
 www.dooleylucenti.ca
 705.792.7963

CHARTWELL
 WHISPERING PINES
 retirement residence

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CEMETERY
 208 Sunnidale Rd., Barrie 705-726-3931
 www.catholic-cemeteries.com
 In keeping with your Catholic Faith

BUYING & SELLING REAL ESTATE
 Ana Tia

TIA SANGINESI
 705.220.8665
ANA CASTILHO
 416.726.2934

DOOLEY LUCENTI
 BARRISTERS & SOLICITORS
 Litigation • Real Estate
 Wills & Estates
 Corporate Law • Family Law
 299 Lakeshore Dr, Suite 300
 www.dooleylucenti.ca
 705.792.7963

CHARTWELL
 WHISPERING PINES
 retirement residence

BARRIE HILL FARMS
 Pick Healthy Homegrown Food
 barriehillfarms.com 705-728-0571

TIA SANGINESI
 705.220.8665
ANA CASTILHO
 416.726.2934

DOOLEY LUCENTI
 BARRISTERS & SOLICITORS
 Litigation • Real Estate
 Wills & Estates
 Corporate Law • Family Law
 299 Lakeshore Dr, Suite 300
 www.dooleylucenti.ca
 705.792.7963

CHARTWELL
 WHISPERING PINES
 retirement residence

Struthmann
 Cleaning Products for Automotive,
 Industrial & Institutional Applications
 Pool & Spa Chemicals
 287 Tiffin St. 705-726-9892

RIGHT CLEANERS
 www.wrightcleaners.ca a part of the community since 1928

BOOK A TOUR TO LEARN MORE!
 705-881-9885

BREEDON MOR LLP
 • Medical Malpractice
 • Personal Injury
 • Commercial Litigation
 • Estates Litigation
 • Real Estate Litigation
 705-252-6834
 breedon.ca

MECA Properties
 Premier Rentals -
 Townhouses & Apts.
 Offering High End Luxury
 Living Accommodations.
 Ideal for mature couples.
 No Pets
 Call 705-393-4463

Legacy
 Funeral and Cremation Services Inc.
 Celebrating Life,
 One Legacy at a Time
 Independent Family-Owned & Operated
 Matt Drury 705-728-8282
 LegacyFuneral.ca

THE PERFECT SPOT TO ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS!

TO ADVERTISE IN THIS SPACE PLEASE CALL 1-800-268-2637

ROBINSON Home hardware
 Corner Blake & Steel 705-728-2431

GARDEN GALLERY
 Bradford Greenhouses
 Barrie 705-725-9913 Bradford 905-775-2942